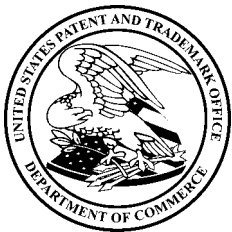


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The country of origin of an application is based on the residence of the first-named inventor. Only utility patent applications are included in the figures for 1975 to the present. Both utility and reissue patent applications are included in the figures for 1965 through 1974. A separate count of reissue applications by country of origin is not available for those years, but is estimated to be very small, compared to the number of utility applications. From 1965 to 1974, 99.67 percent of the summed utility and reissue patent applications were utility applications, based on fiscal year data (see attached table addendum).

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ADDENDUM TABLE

Percent of Utility Plus Reissue Patent Applications That Were Utility Patent Applications

| <u>Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Percent</u> |
|--------------------|----------------|
| 1965 | 99.73% |
| 1966 | 99.71% |
| 1967 | 99.73% |
| 1968 | 99.66% |
| 1969 | 99.61% |
| 1970 | 99.66% |
| 1971 | 99.74% |
| 1972 | 99.72% |
| 1973 | 99.62% |
| 1974 | 99.62% |
| 1965-1974 | 99.67% |

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| (2) COUNTRY | YEAR OF APPLICATION FILING | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | (3) 1965 | 1966 | 1967 | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 |
| Afghanistan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Albania | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Algeria | | 1 | | | 2 | | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Andorra | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Anguilla | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Antigua and Barbuda | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Argentina | 53 | 40 | 35 | 45 | 41 | 52 | 49 | 54 | 44 | 50 | 44 | 52 |
| Armenia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aruba | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | 224 | 220 | 263 | 313 | 308 | 293 | 324 | 389 | 442 | 442 | 415 | 470 |
| Austria | 229 | 232 | 273 | 286 | 337 | 333 | 369 | 359 | 398 | 413 | 370 | 401 |
| Azerbaijan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bahamas | | | | | | | | 15 | 11 | 13 | | 12 |
| Bahrain | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bangladesh | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Barbados | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Belarus | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Belgium | 286 | 303 | 319 | 384 | 377 | 330 | 387 | 404 | 445 | 408 | 445 | 398 |
| Belize | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Benin | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bermuda | 2 | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | | 2 | 5 | |
| Bolivia | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 6 | 3 | 6 |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Brazil | 33 | 35 | 30 | 29 | 22 | 30 | 51 | 46 | 43 | 44 | 64 | 51 |
| British West Indies | 2 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 14 | 1 | 16 | | | 20 | |
| British Virgin Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Brunei | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bulgaria | 7 | 7 | 11 | 10 | 27 | 16 | 20 | 28 | 35 | 37 | 51 | 70 |
| Burkina Faso | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Burma | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| Cameroon | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Canada | 1,695 | 1,323 | 1,456 | 1,558 | 1,707 | 1,843 | 2,025 | 1,966 | 2,095 | 2,191 | 2,127 | 2,237 |
| Cayman Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ceylon | | 1 | | | | | | | | 2 | 2 | |
| Central America | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chad | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chile | 5 | 13 | 7 | 6 | 10 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 6 | 10 | 5 | 7 |
| China, Hong Kong SAR | 9 | 15 | 7 | | 24 | 23 | 25 | 13 | 25 | 33 | 38 | 33 |
| China, Macau SAR | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| China, People's Republic of | | | | | | | | | | | | 9 |
| China, Republic of | | | | | | | | | | | 12 | |
| Cocos Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Colombia | 5 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 4 | | 10 | 4 | 14 | 10 | 15 |
| Comoros | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Congo | | | | | | | | | | 55 | 11 | |
| Congo (Brazzaville) | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Cook Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Costa Rica | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Croatia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cuba | | | 2 | | 1 | 2 | | | | 2 | 5 | 1 |
| Cyprus | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Czech Republic | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Czechoslovakia | 186 | 180 | 160 | 174 | 218 | 134 | 166 | 169 | 167 | 173 | 142 | 136 |
| Denmark | 165 | 172 | 168 | 195 | 221 | 211 | 275 | 241 | 251 | 250 | 242 | 219 |
| Dominica | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dominican Republic | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Ecuador | | 1 | | | 1 | | | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| Egypt | | | | | | | 1 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 3 | |
| El Salvador (4) | | | 5 | | 3 | | | | 1 | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| Estonia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ethiopia | | 1 | | | 2 | 1 | | | | | | |
| European Patent Office (5) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Falkland Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fiji | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Finland | 44 | 52 | 73 | 94 | 103 | 125 | 154 | 159 | 176 | 178 | 173 | 184 |
| France | 2,238 | 2,174 | 2,385 | 2,522 | 2,821 | 2,625 | 2,987 | 3,122 | 3,197 | 3,157 | 3,048 | 3,005 |
| French Guiana | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| French Polynesia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gabon | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Georgia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Germany, East | | | | | | | | 18 | | | 13 | 26 |
| Germany, West | 5,728 | 5,504 | 5,734 | 6,455 | 7,405 | 7,798 | 7,772 | 7,782 | 8,603 | 8,897 | 8,258 | 8,343 |
| Germany | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ghana | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gibraltar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Greece | 14 | 14 | 9 | 19 | 17 | 16 | 15 | 20 | 24 | 19 | 31 | 16 |
| Greenland | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Grenada | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Guatemala | 5 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 6 |

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| (2) COUNTRY | YEAR OF APPLICATION FILING | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | (3) 1965 | 1966 | 1967 | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 |
| Guinea | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Guyana | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Haiti | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Honduras | | 4 | | | | 2 | | | | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| Hungary | 37 | 48 | 66 | 54 | 70 | 80 | 88 | 103 | 113 | 108 | 144 | 133 |
| Iceland | 1 | 7 | 2 | | 4 | 2 | | | 1 | 8 | 2 | 7 |
| India | 10 | 25 | 32 | 13 | 30 | 21 | 22 | 21 | 24 | 43 | 32 | 39 |
| Indonesia | 1 | 1 | | | 3 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 5 | 6 |
| Iran | | 2 | 4 | | 4 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| Iraq | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ireland | | 30 | 27 | 29 | 44 | 44 | 33 | 26 | 39 | 36 | 34 | 51 |
| Israel | 94 | 86 | 64 | 73 | 87 | 90 | 120 | 143 | 155 | 165 | 158 | 175 |
| Italy | 811 | 849 | 866 | 960 | 1,031 | 1,105 | 1,160 | 1,162 | 1,128 | 1,192 | 1,164 | 1,230 |
| Ivory Coast (Cote d'Ivoire) | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Jamaica | | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 | | | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| Japan | 2,263 | 2,479 | 3,354 | 4,051 | 5,430 | 6,093 | 7,418 | 6,831 | 8,565 | 9,163 | 8,566 | 9,365 |
| Jordan | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Kazakhstan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kenya | | 1 | 4 | | 1 | 2 | | | 5 | 2 | 2 | |
| Korea | 1 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 11 | 13 | 4 | 19 | 13 | | | |
| Korea, North | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Korea, South | | | | | | | | | | 22 | 20 | 27 |
| Kuwait | | | | | 1 | | | | | 2 | | |
| Kyrgyzstan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Latvia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lebanon | | 6 | 3 | | 6 | | 2 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 1 |
| Lesotho | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Libya | | | | | | 5 | | | | | | 1 |
| Liberia | 1 | | | | 2 | | | | | | 1 | |
| Liechtenstein | 24 | 18 | 13 | 13 | 27 | 25 | 23 | 11 | 20 | 20 | 28 | 13 |
| Lithuania | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Luxembourg | 7 | 5 | | | 14 | 16 | 11 | 14 | 26 | 21 | 17 | 23 |
| Macedonia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Madagascar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Malagasy | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Malawi | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Malaysia | | | 2 | | | 2 | 1 | | 2 | 4 | 10 | 8 |
| Mali | | 2 | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Malta | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Marshall Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Martinique | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mauritania | | | | | | | | | | 2 | | |
| Mauritius | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mexico | 83 | 97 | 78 | 177 | 74 | 73 | 87 | 98 | 130 | 108 | 127 | 110 |
| Moldova | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Monaco | 3 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 2 | | 4 | 12 | 4 | 10 | 10 |
| Mongolia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Montserrat | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Morocco | 5 | 4 | 1 | | | 1 | | | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Mozambique | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Myanmar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Namibia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nauru | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nepal | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Netherlands | 690 | 652 | 711 | 790 | 899 | 886 | 1,017 | 916 | 1,047 | 985 | 1,040 | 990 |
| Netherlands Antilles | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| New Caledonia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Papua) New Guinea | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| New Hebrides | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| New Zealand | 27 | 20 | 22 | 22 | 34 | 38 | 54 | 49 | 56 | 66 | 62 | 86 |
| Nicaragua | 2 | 1 | | | | 2 | | | | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| Niger | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nigeria | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | | | | | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| Niue | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Norfolk Island | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Norway | 96 | 63 | 90 | 95 | 107 | 130 | 146 | 115 | 131 | 156 | 156 | 137 |
| Oman | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pakistan | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | 2 | | | 1 | 3 | 1 | |
| Palau | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Panama | 1 | | | | 4 | 4 | | 3 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 2 |
| Paraguay | | | | | 2 | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Peru | 16 | 4 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 8 |
| Philippines | 2 | 12 | 4 | 9 | 13 | 17 | 12 | 8 | 11 | 11 | 17 | 22 |
| Poland | 27 | 50 | 48 | 55 | 59 | 45 | 51 | 35 | 50 | 61 | 47 | 59 |
| Portugal | 18 | 11 | 12 | 15 | 13 | 10 | 9 | 7 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 7 |
| Qatar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Reunion | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhodesia, South | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhodesia | | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 | | | 3 | 9 | 6 | 1 |
| Romania | 15 | 15 | 45 | 53 | 59 | 45 | 53 | 65 | 29 | 42 | 29 | 20 |

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | (3) 1965 | 1966 | 1967 | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 |
| Russian Federation | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Samoa | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| San Marino | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saudi Arabia | | 3 | 4 | 1 | 5 | | | | 6 | 2 | 5 | 3 |
| Senegal | | | | | 5 | | | | | | 1 | 0 |
| Serbia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Serbia & Montenegro | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seychelles | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sierra Leone | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Singapore | | 4 | | | 2 | | 5 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 7 |
| Slovakia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Slovenia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Solomon Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| South Africa | 99 | 83 | 101 | 102 | 115 | 98 | 149 | 145 | 165 | 152 | 179 | 149 |
| South Georgia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| South-West Africa | | | | | 15 | | | | | 6 | 7 | |
| Spain | 93 | 116 | 106 | 133 | 145 | 123 | 156 | 138 | 204 | 175 | 182 | 172 |
| Sri Lanka | | | | | | | | 2 | | | | 1 |
| St. Kitts/Nevis | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| St. Lucia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| St. Vincent/Grenadines | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sudan | 1 | | | | 2 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| Suriname | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Swaziland | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sweden | 833 | 858 | 825 | 941 | 1,070 | 957 | 1,148 | 1,078 | 1,335 | 1,357 | 1,359 | 1,251 |
| Switzerland | 1,377 | 1,399 | 1,513 | 1,551 | 1,698 | 1,770 | 1,848 | 1,963 | 2,076 | 2,057 | 2,131 | 2,053 |
| Syria | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Taiwan | 8 | 16 | 13 | 3 | 19 | 27 | 28 | 40 | 66 | 102 | 113 | 127 |
| Tanzania | | | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | | | | | |
| Thailand | 1 | | | 1 | 3 | | 14 | | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| Trinidad & Tobago | | | | | 1 | | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| Tunisia | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| Turkey | 5 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 9 |
| Turks and Caicos Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uganda | | | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | | | 1 | | |
| Ukraine | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United Arab Emirates | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United Arab Rep. | 2 | 1 | | 17 | | | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 4,479 | 4,238 | 4,597 | 4,660 | 5,216 | 4,746 | 4,734 | 4,811 | 4,914 | 5,109 | 4,568 | 4,529 |
| Upper Volta | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| USSR | 215 | 112 | 427 | 329 | 438 | 445 | 578 | 653 | 752 | 728 | 696 | 675 |
| Uruguay | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Uzbekistan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vatican City | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Venezuela | 12 | 15 | 9 | 6 | 14 | 11 | 5 | 19 | 18 | 11 | 19 | 26 |
| Viet Nam | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Viet Nam, South | | | | | | | | 2 | | 1 | 1 | |
| West Africa | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| West Bank / Gaza | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yemen | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yugoslavia | 10 | 7 | 17 | 17 | 12 | 14 | 10 | 20 | 17 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| Zaire | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zambia | | | 3 | | 3 | 3 | | 2 | 1 | | | |
| Zimbabwe | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other Foreign | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Foreign | 22,312 | 21,670 | 24,046 | 26,291 | 30,507 | 30,832 | 33,640 | 33,355 | 37,144 | 38,445 | 36,569 | 37,294 |
| U.S. | 72,317 | 66,855 | 61,651 | 67,180 | 68,243 | 72,343 | 71,089 | 65,943 | 66,935 | 64,093 | 64,445 | 65,050 |
| TOTAL | 94,629 | 88,525 | 85,697 | 93,471 | 98,750 | 103,175 | 104,729 | 99,298 | 104,079 | 102,538 | 101,014 | 102,344 |

(1) Country of origin is based on the residence of the first-named inventor.

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(3) Data for 1965 through 1974 also include reissue applications.

(4) The USPTO submission to WIPO in 1975 reported two additional applications from "San Salvador" that are not included in this table. However, the total number of applications shown in this table for 1975 is consistent with the figure reported to WIPO.

(5) Applications from the European Patent Office were not reported separately to WIPO after 1987. Applications from the EPO were distributed according to the country of residence of the first-named inventor after 1987.

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|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
| Afghanistan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Albania | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Algeria | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Andorra | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Anguilla | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| Antigua and Barbuda | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Argentina | 51 | 61 | 62 | 56 | 55 | 35 | 35 | 40 | 39 | 56 | 42 | 32 |
| Armenia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aruba | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | 424 | 528 | 579 | 517 | 597 | 630 | 603 | 696 | 739 | 809 | 842 | 750 |
| Austria | 402 | 432 | 447 | 410 | 449 | 418 | 421 | 447 | 498 | 557 | 504 | 485 |
| Azerbaijan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bahamas | 17 | 13 | 10 | 7 | 4 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 10 |
| Bahrain | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Bangladesh | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Barbados | | | 1 | | | | 2 | | | | | 2 |
| Belarus | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Belgium | 387 | 408 | 373 | 388 | 391 | 356 | 390 | 428 | 450 | 523 | 518 | 545 |
| Belize | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Benin | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bermuda | 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 3 |
| Bolivia | 6 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | | |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Brazil | 51 | 72 | 72 | 53 | 66 | 70 | 57 | 62 | 78 | 68 | 62 | 71 |
| British West Indies | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| British Virgin Islands | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Brunei | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | |
| Bulgaria | 40 | 48 | 36 | 40 | 30 | 37 | 39 | 22 | 40 | 41 | 32 | 42 |
| Burkina Faso | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Burma | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Cameroon | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Canada | 2,192 | 2,050 | 2,061 | 1,969 | 2,202 | 2,138 | 1,995 | 2,273 | 2,270 | 2,438 | 2,791 | 3,046 |
| Cayman Islands | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 3 |
| Ceylon | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 1 | |
| Central America | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chad | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chile | 7 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 11 | 6 | 3 | 11 | 7 | 16 | 2 | 4 |
| China, Hong Kong SAR | 56 | 45 | 39 | 56 | 38 | 55 | 44 | 46 | 56 | 66 | 82 | 86 |
| China, Macau SAR | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| China, People's Republic of | 9 | 6 | 15 | 7 | 10 | 5 | 12 | 18 | 24 | 112 | 83 | 122 |
| China, Republic of | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cocos Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Colombia | 19 | 6 | 6 | 9 | 6 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 3 |
| Comoros | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Congo | 2 | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Congo (Brazzaville) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cook Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Costa Rica | 6 | | 7 | 6 | | 2 | 2 | 2 | 5 | | 1 | 3 |
| Croatia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cuba | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Cyprus | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 4 | 3 |
| Czech Republic | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Czechoslovakia | 92 | 88 | 80 | 90 | 82 | 77 | 74 | 84 | 68 | 63 | 50 | 72 |
| Denmark | 250 | 287 | 223 | 217 | 243 | 277 | 280 | 278 | 282 | 302 | 316 | 337 |
| Dominica | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dominican Republic | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| Ecuador | 4 | 4 | | 2 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Egypt | 2 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 3 | | 3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| El Salvador (4) | 4 | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Estonia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ethiopia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| European Patent Office (5) | | | | | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 2 | | |
| Falkland Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fiji | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Finland | 203 | 228 | 231 | 258 | 275 | 300 | 346 | 363 | 399 | 350 | 430 | 417 |
| France | 3,007 | 3,257 | 3,127 | 3,331 | 3,237 | 3,336 | 3,213 | 3,507 | 3,605 | 3,884 | 3,837 | 4,301 |
| French Guiana | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| French Polynesia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gabon | | | | | | 1 | 3 | | | | | |
| Georgia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Germany, East | 39 | 41 | 134 | 96 | 96 | 107 | 58 | 74 | 80 | 77 | 47 | 61 |
| Germany, West | 8,903 | 9,262 | 9,261 | 9,669 | 9,924 | 10,002 | 8,901 | 9,755 | 10,452 | 10,648 | 10,783 | 10,957 |
| Germany | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ghana | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gibraltar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Greece | 21 | 22 | 13 | 22 | 22 | 21 | 11 | 20 | 15 | 21 | 21 | 29 |
| Greenland | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Grenada | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Guatemala | 3 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 | | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |

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| (2) COUNTRY | YEAR OF APPLICATION FILING | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
| Guinea | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |
| Guyana | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Haiti | 3 | 3 | 2 | | 2 | 2 | | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Honduras | | | 1 | | 1 | 2 | | | 1 | | 1 | 3 |
| Hungary | 132 | 136 | 175 | 194 | 212 | 225 | 210 | 207 | 208 | 209 | 174 | 172 |
| Iceland | 5 | 14 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 2 |
| India | 27 | 24 | 25 | 23 | 22 | 20 | 15 | 30 | 25 | 36 | 26 | 41 |
| Indonesia | 6 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 6 |
| Iran | 15 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 2 | | 4 |
| Iraq | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 5 | | 1 | 6 | 3 |
| Ireland | 55 | 42 | 40 | 43 | 63 | 48 | 47 | 56 | 75 | 83 | 91 | 103 |
| Israel | 206 | 202 | 235 | 253 | 317 | 316 | 307 | 376 | 377 | 427 | 503 | 490 |
| Italy | 1,224 | 1,328 | 1,480 | 1,501 | 1,384 | 1,500 | 1,411 | 1,636 | 1,628 | 1,799 | 1,822 | 1,943 |
| Ivory Coast (Cote d'Ivoire) | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Jamaica | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | | 1 |
| Japan | 9,674 | 10,189 | 11,185 | 12,951 | 14,009 | 16,068 | 15,998 | 18,473 | 21,431 | 22,895 | 24,516 | 28,357 |
| Jordan | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | 3 | | 1 | |
| Kazakhstan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kenya | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Korea | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Korea, North | | | 3 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 12 | 14 |
| Korea, South | 28 | 34 | 34 | 33 | 64 | 68 | 78 | 74 | 129 | 162 | 235 | 295 |
| Kuwait | | 2 | | 1 | 3 | | | 3 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 2 |
| Kyrgyzstan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Latvia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lebanon | 1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8 | | | 1 | 3 | |
| Lesotho | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Libya | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Liberia | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Liechtenstein | 15 | 20 | 10 | 29 | 18 | 10 | 17 | 21 | 11 | 15 | 12 | 11 |
| Lithuania | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Luxembourg | 28 | 28 | 34 | 23 | 51 | 45 | 49 | 41 | 29 | 40 | 31 | 39 |
| Macedonia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Madagascar | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Malagasy | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Malawi | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Malaysia | 3 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 6 |
| Mali | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Malta | | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| Marshall Islands | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | |
| Martinique | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Mauritania | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mauritius | | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Mexico | 89 | 92 | 82 | 77 | 99 | 70 | 73 | 77 | 81 | 69 | 70 | 74 |
| Moldova | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Monaco | 8 | 11 | 12 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 11 |
| Mongolia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Montserrat | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Morocco | 3 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | | 3 | | 1 |
| Mozambique | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Myanmar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Namibia | | | 3 | | | | | | | | | |
| Nauru | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Nepal | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| Netherlands | 1,026 | 1,028 | 983 | 1,025 | 1,077 | 1,077 | 1,087 | 1,179 | 1,221 | 1,269 | 1,334 | 1,512 |
| Netherlands Antilles | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| New Caledonia | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| (Papua) New Guinea | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| New Hebrides | | | | 3 | | | | | | | | |
| New Zealand | 100 | 99 | 94 | 119 | 119 | 87 | 101 | 128 | 121 | 135 | 132 | 110 |
| Nicaragua | 2 | 1 | 4 | | | | | | | | | |
| Niger | | | | | | | | | | 2 | | |
| Nigeria | 2 | 4 | 4 | 3 | | | | 3 | | 1 | | 1 |
| Niue | | | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | |
| Norfolk Island | | | | | | | | 1 | 3 | | | |
| Norway | 165 | 172 | 152 | 104 | 133 | 152 | 108 | 153 | 160 | 177 | 185 | 159 |
| Oman | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pakistan | | 1 | | 4 | 1 | 4 | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Palau | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Panama | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | |
| Paraguay | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Peru | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 9 |
| Philippines | 15 | 16 | 8 | 17 | 16 | 27 | 15 | 10 | 15 | 10 | 11 | 14 |
| Poland | 68 | 68 | 83 | 65 | 49 | 25 | 21 | 44 | 13 | 19 | 23 | 26 |
| Portugal | 3 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 13 | 15 | 7 |
| Qatar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Reunion | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Rhodesia, South | | 3 | | 3 | | | | | | | | |
| Rhodesia | 2 | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Romania | 22 | 30 | 17 | 9 | 13 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 | |

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| (2) COUNTRY | YEAR OF APPLICATION FILING | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
| Russian Federation | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Samoa | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| San Marino | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Saudi Arabia | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 13 | 8 | 8 | 1 | 9 | 15 | 12 |
| Senegal | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Serbia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Serbia & Montenegro | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seychelles | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sierra Leone | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Singapore | 7 | 6 | 9 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 11 | 9 | 19 | 17 | 17 | 17 |
| Slovakia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Slovenia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Solomon Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| South Africa | 169 | 175 | 206 | 203 | 213 | 199 | 207 | 216 | 227 | 204 | 239 | 192 |
| South Georgia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| South-West Africa | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Spain | 152 | 144 | 163 | 142 | 147 | 159 | 157 | 196 | 207 | 225 | 228 | 231 |
| Sri Lanka | 1 | | | | | | | | | 2 | | |
| St. Kitts/Nevis | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| St. Lucia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| St. Vincent/Grenadines | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sudan | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Suriname | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Swaziland | | | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | |
| Sweden | 1,253 | 1,221 | 1,137 | 1,207 | 1,191 | 1,144 | 1,181 | 1,306 | 1,239 | 1,229 | 1,155 | 1,028 |
| Switzerland | 1,964 | 2,056 | 1,836 | 1,975 | 1,828 | 1,820 | 1,716 | 1,808 | 1,894 | 1,929 | 1,857 | 1,993 |
| Syria | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | |
| Taiwan | 174 | 243 | 262 | 367 | 394 | 509 | 530 | 601 | 760 | 959 | 1,182 | 1,246 |
| Tanzania | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Thailand | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 4 |
| Trinidad & Tobago | 7 | 3 | 4 | | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 5 |
| Tunisia | 1 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Turkey | 2 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 11 | 4 | 5 | 7 |
| Turks and Caicos Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uganda | | | | | | | | | | | 6 | |
| Ukraine | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United Arab Emirates | | | | | | | 2 | | | 1 | | 2 |
| United Arab Rep. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 4,533 | 4,468 | 4,270 | 4,178 | 4,294 | 4,351 | 4,138 | 4,370 | 3,825 | 4,641 | 4,898 | 4,788 |
| Upper Volta | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| USSR | 610 | 623 | 494 | 338 | 417 | 331 | 194 | 146 | 145 | 158 | 174 | 216 |
| Uruguay | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | | 2 | 1 | | 4 |
| Uzbekistan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vatican City | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Venezuela | 16 | 19 | 20 | 25 | 23 | 26 | 23 | 28 | 40 | 49 | 41 | 30 |
| Viet Nam | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Viet Nam, South | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| West Africa | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| West Bank / Gaza | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yemen | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yugoslavia | 21 | 25 | 34 | 21 | 28 | 24 | 20 | 11 | 22 | 28 | 35 | 35 |
| Zaire | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| Zambia | | | | | | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | | |
| Zimbabwe | | | | | | | | | 6 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| Other Foreign | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Total Foreign | 38,068 | 39,475 | 39,959 | 42,231 | 44,009 | 46,309 | 44,313 | 49,443 | 53,132 | 56,946 | 59,602 | 64,633 |
| U.S. | 62,863 | 61,441 | 60,535 | 62,098 | 62,404 | 63,316 | 59,390 | 61,841 | 63,874 | 65,487 | 68,315 | 75,192 |
| TOTAL | 100,931 | 100,916 | 100,494 | 104,329 | 106,413 | 109,625 | 103,703 | 111,284 | 117,006 | 122,433 | 127,917 | 139,825 |

(1) Country of origin is based on the residence of the first-named inventor.

(2) Country names that appear in this table do not imply any expression of opinion by USPTO about the preferred name or the legal status of any country or territory, or of its authorities.

(3) Data for 1965 through 1974 also include reissue applications.

(4) The USPTO submission to WIPO in 1975 reported two additional applications from "San Salvador" that are not included in this table. However, the total number of applications shown in this table for 1975 is consistent with the figure reported to WIPO.

(5) Applications from the European Patent Office were not reported separately to WIPO after 1987. Applications from the EPO were distributed according to the country of residence of the first-named inventor after 1987.

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| (2) COUNTRY | YEAR OF APPLICATION FILING | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| Afghanistan | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Albania | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 2 | | |
| Algeria | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Andorra | | | | | | 1 | | 3 | | 1 | | 1 |
| Anguilla | | | | | | | | | 2 | | 1 | |
| Antigua and Barbuda | | | | 4 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | | | |
| Argentina | 32 | 56 | 59 | 59 | 56 | 75 | 65 | 78 | 77 | 119 | 96 | 137 |
| Armenia | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 4 |
| Aruba | | | | | | | 3 | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Australia | 800 | 811 | 783 | 863 | 781 | 921 | 1,007 | 1,057 | 1,006 | 1,420 | 1,462 | 1,800 |
| Austria | 511 | 560 | 516 | 566 | 526 | 599 | 619 | 543 | 552 | 710 | 823 | 881 |
| Azerbaijan | | | | | | 3 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Bahamas | 2 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 11 | 8 | 15 | 9 | 14 | 20 | 15 | 18 |
| Bahrain | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 2 | |
| Bangladesh | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Barbados | | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Belarus | | | | 4 | 8 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 10 | 7 |
| Belgium | 572 | 592 | 614 | 692 | 685 | 862 | 1,001 | 930 | 894 | 1,059 | 1,204 | 1,245 |
| Belize | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Benin | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bermuda | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 8 | 14 |
| Bolivia | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Brazil | 111 | 88 | 124 | 112 | 105 | 156 | 115 | 145 | 134 | 165 | 186 | 220 |
| British West Indies | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| British Virgin Islands | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| Brunei | 2 | | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| Bulgaria | 30 | 31 | 11 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 11 | 18 |
| Burkina Faso | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Burma | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cameroon | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Canada | 3,425 | 3,511 | 3,641 | 3,761 | 3,910 | 4,255 | 4,745 | 4,443 | 4,694 | 5,689 | 6,149 | 6,809 |
| Cayman Islands | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | 5 | 11 | 5 | 1 | 7 | 1 |
| Ceylon | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Central America | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chad | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chile | 11 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 23 | 17 | 17 | 16 | 24 |
| China, Hong Kong SAR | 108 | 86 | 132 | 150 | 155 | 219 | 163 | 222 | 207 | 274 | 403 | 473 |
| China, Macau SAR | | | | | 2 | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| China, People's Republic of | 112 | 111 | 126 | 129 | 135 | 100 | 144 | 142 | 117 | 181 | 257 | 469 |
| China, Republic of | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cocos Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Colombia | 5 | 10 | 5 | 13 | 3 | 18 | 19 | 10 | 6 | 12 | 20 | 21 |
| Comoros | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Congo | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Congo (Brazzaville) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cook Islands | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Costa Rica | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 13 | 8 | 16 |
| Croatia | | | | | 6 | 9 | 15 | 16 | 20 | 20 | 12 | 21 |
| Cuba | | 1 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 15 |
| Cyprus | 3 | | 2 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | 3 | | 3 | 7 |
| Czech Republic | | | | | 1 | 15 | 14 | 17 | 30 | 34 | 30 | 52 |
| Czechoslovakia | 71 | 39 | 32 | 41 | 26 | 13 | 22 | 13 | 10 | 19 | 16 | |
| Denmark | 284 | 370 | 358 | 378 | 376 | 445 | 618 | 496 | 634 | 748 | 863 | 859 |
| Dominica | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Dominican Republic | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 4 | | 3 |
| Ecuador | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 6 | | 2 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 6 |
| Egypt | 4 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 11 | 16 | 20 |
| El Salvador (4) | | | | | | | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | 2 |
| Estonia | | | | | 2 | 2 | | | 2 | 3 | 6 | 4 |
| Ethiopia | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| European Patent Office (5) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Falkland Islands | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Fiji | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 3 | |
| Finland | 513 | 595 | 592 | 576 | 568 | 707 | 745 | 836 | 891 | 970 | 1,376 | 1,530 |
| France | 4,268 | 4,771 | 4,723 | 4,828 | 4,320 | 4,528 | 5,001 | 4,486 | 4,759 | 5,249 | 6,216 | 6,623 |
| French Guiana | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| French Polynesia | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 2 |
| Gabon | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Georgia | | | | | | 2 | 6 | 3 | | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Germany, East | 51 | 31 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Germany, West | 11,386 | 11,261 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Germany | | | 10,874 | 11,652 | 10,500 | 11,324 | 11,853 | 11,550 | 12,333 | 13,885 | 16,978 | 17,715 |
| Ghana | | | | | | 1 | | | 2 | | 1 | |
| Gibraltar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Greece | 33 | 27 | 20 | 28 | 19 | 27 | 29 | 23 | 30 | 45 | 50 | 44 |
| Greenland | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Grenada | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Guatemala | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 |

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| (2) COUNTRY | YEAR OF APPLICATION FILING | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| Guinea | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | |
| Guyana | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Haiti | | | 2 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | | 1 | 1 |
| Honduras | | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Hungary | 174 | 138 | 103 | 76 | 69 | 76 | 70 | 59 | 40 | 73 | 120 | 107 |
| Iceland | 3 | 3 | 10 | 16 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 13 | 8 | 25 | 31 | 30 |
| India | 50 | 58 | 51 | 64 | 54 | 70 | 91 | 115 | 137 | 180 | 271 | 438 |
| Indonesia | 3 | 4 | 11 | 11 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 11 | 3 | 9 | 12 | 9 |
| Iran | 7 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Iraq | 3 | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Ireland | 99 | 130 | 116 | 103 | 104 | 149 | 131 | 114 | 138 | 228 | 252 | 362 |
| Israel | 624 | 608 | 633 | 780 | 803 | 1,040 | 1,072 | 1,042 | 1,198 | 1,442 | 2,009 | 2,509 |
| Italy | 1,964 | 2,093 | 2,123 | 2,288 | 1,906 | 1,998 | 2,128 | 2,062 | 2,119 | 2,313 | 2,577 | 2,704 |
| Ivory Coast (Cote d'Ivoire) | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| Jamaica | | | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 | | 4 | 4 | 2 |
| Japan | 31,791 | 34,113 | 36,846 | 38,633 | 34,816 | 37,768 | 39,872 | 39,510 | 41,767 | 45,260 | 47,821 | 52,891 |
| Jordan | 2 | 2 | 3 | | | 2 | 4 | 4 | | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| Kazakhstan | | | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| Kenya | | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| Korea | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Korea, North | 12 | 25 | 6 | 4 | | | | | | | | |
| Korea, South | 607 | 775 | 1,321 | 1,471 | 1,624 | 2,354 | 2,820 | 4,248 | 4,920 | 5,452 | 5,033 | 5,705 |
| Kuwait | 9 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 11 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Kyrgyzstan | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Latvia | | | | | | | | 2 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 3 |
| Lebanon | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 9 |
| Lesotho | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | |
| Libya | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Liberia | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | |
| Liechtenstein | 15 | 13 | 14 | 19 | 13 | 15 | 13 | 17 | 19 | 24 | 26 | 28 |
| Lithuania | | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | | 3 | 2 | 4 | 4 |
| Luxembourg | 35 | 32 | 36 | 39 | 35 | 39 | 20 | 31 | 32 | 36 | 59 | 57 |
| Macedonia | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 3 |
| Madagascar | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Malagasy | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Malawi | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Malaysia | 14 | 11 | 22 | 16 | 20 | 37 | 30 | 30 | 61 | 41 | 76 | 104 |
| Mali | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Malta | | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | | 3 | | 3 |
| Marshall Islands | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | |
| Martinique | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mauritania | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mauritius | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| Mexico | 77 | 76 | 106 | 105 | 82 | 105 | 99 | 97 | 110 | 141 | 147 | 190 |
| Moldova | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 2 |
| Monaco | 3 | 4 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 12 | 10 | 13 | 21 | 26 |
| Mongolia | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Montserrat | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Morocco | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Mozambique | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Myanmar | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Namibia | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | |
| Nauru | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nepal | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Netherlands | 1,570 | 1,588 | 1,397 | 1,547 | 1,472 | 1,455 | 1,570 | 1,559 | 1,726 | 1,816 | 2,058 | 2,289 |
| Netherlands Antilles | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| New Caledonia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Papua) New Guinea | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| New Hebrides | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| New Zealand | 121 | 105 | 91 | 107 | 85 | 130 | 137 | 174 | 174 | 187 | 240 | 279 |
| Nicaragua | | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| Niger | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nigeria | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | | 1 | 6 |
| Niue | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Norfolk Island | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Norway | 141 | 164 | 169 | 212 | 190 | 203 | 243 | 227 | 303 | 337 | 415 | 447 |
| Oman | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Pakistan | 1 | | | 2 | 1 | | 3 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 7 |
| Palau | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Panama | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 5 | 6 |
| Paraguay | | | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Peru | 7 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 5 |
| Philippines | 13 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 7 | 12 | 9 | 15 | 13 | 20 | 32 |
| Poland | 24 | 13 | 21 | 16 | 27 | 20 | 19 | 22 | 19 | 19 | 31 | 33 |
| Portugal | 9 | 6 | 3 | 11 | 9 | 14 | 10 | 16 | 12 | 17 | 28 | 17 |
| Qatar | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| Reunion | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhodesia, South | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhodesia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Romania | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 5 | 12 | 11 | 8 | 12 |

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| (2) COUNTRY | YEAR OF APPLICATION FILING | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| Russian Federation | | | | 183 | 153 | 206 | 221 | 254 | 249 | 273 | 388 | 382 |
| Samoa | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| San Marino | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saudi Arabia | 12 | 8 | 12 | 11 | 17 | 23 | 24 | 19 | 17 | 26 | 11 | 28 |
| Senegal | | 1 | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Serbia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Serbia & Montenegro | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seychelles | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sierra Leone | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| Singapore | 37 | 36 | 63 | 89 | 104 | 134 | 144 | 176 | 213 | 336 | 460 | 632 |
| Slovakia | | | | | | 13 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 10 |
| Slovenia | | | | 8 | 19 | 11 | 13 | 19 | 24 | 29 | 21 | 27 |
| Solomon Islands | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| South Africa | 215 | 185 | 186 | 207 | 246 | 238 | 187 | 189 | 174 | 211 | 179 | 209 |
| South Georgia | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| South-West Africa | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Spain | 302 | 289 | 258 | 313 | 269 | 315 | 357 | 359 | 370 | 409 | 464 | 549 |
| Sri Lanka | | 3 | 2 | | 1 | 3 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | | 6 |
| St. Kitts/Nevis | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | 2 |
| St. Lucia | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| St. Vincent/Grenadines | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Sudan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Suriname | | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Swaziland | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 6 | 9 | 11 | | | |
| Sweden | 1,114 | 1,057 | 1,086 | 1,072 | 1,157 | 1,405 | 1,500 | 1,481 | 1,980 | 2,359 | 2,570 | 2,825 |
| Switzerland | 2,019 | 1,931 | 1,902 | 1,922 | 1,759 | 1,852 | 1,917 | 1,609 | 1,637 | 1,875 | 2,144 | 2,233 |
| Syria | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 1 |
| Taiwan | 1,507 | 2,035 | 2,252 | 2,667 | 2,874 | 3,560 | 4,054 | 4,766 | 5,492 | 7,412 | 9,411 | 9,046 |
| Tanzania | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Thailand | 3 | 8 | 4 | 11 | 15 | 19 | 21 | 20 | 21 | 26 | 41 | 92 |
| Trinidad & Tobago | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | 2 | 5 |
| Tunisia | 1 | 1 | | 2 | | 1 | | | | | 1 | |
| Turkey | 3 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 10 | 16 | 29 | 28 |
| Turks and Caicos Islands | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 3 |
| Uganda | | | | 3 | 2 | | | | 1 | 2 | 2 | |
| Ukraine | | | | 4 | 16 | 14 | 17 | 18 | 24 | 28 | 22 | 40 |
| United Arab Emirates | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| United Arab Rep. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 5,066 | 4,959 | 4,557 | 4,587 | 4,414 | 4,856 | 5,202 | 4,791 | 5,147 | 6,110 | 6,948 | 7,523 |
| Upper Volta | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| USSR | 291 | 304 | 177 | | 54 | 21 | 11 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 1 | |
| Uruguay | 5 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Uzbekistan | | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Vatican City | | | | | | 2 | | | | | | |
| Venezuela | 26 | 48 | 43 | 47 | 38 | 43 | 32 | 38 | 40 | 35 | 42 | 45 |
| Viet Nam | | | | | | 1 | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | |
| Viet Nam, South | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| West Africa | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| West Bank / Gaza | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yemen | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Yugoslavia | 39 | 34 | 30 | 28 | 10 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 6 |
| Zaire | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| Zambia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zimbabwe | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | |
| Other Foreign | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Foreign | 70,380 | 73,915 | 76,351 | 80,650 | 74,788 | 82,624 | 88,419 | 88,295 | 94,812 | 107,579 | 120,362 | 131,131 |
| U.S. | 82,370 | 90,643 | 87,955 | 92,425 | 99,955 | 107,233 | 123,958 | 106,892 | 120,445 | 135,483 | 149,825 | 164,795 |
| TOTAL | 152,750 | 164,558 | 164,306 | 173,075 | 174,743 | 189,857 | 212,377 | 195,187 | 215,257 | 243,062 | 270,187 | 295,926 |

(1) Country of origin is based on the residence of the first-named inventor.

(2) Country names that appear in this table do not imply any expression of opinion by USPTO about the preferred name or the legal status of any country or territory, or of its authorities.

(3) Data for 1965 through 1974 also include reissue applications.

(4) The USPTO submission to WIPO in 1975 reported two additional applications from "San Salvador" that are not included in this table. However, the total number of applications shown in this table for 1975 is consistent with the figure reported to WIPO.

(5) Applications from the European Patent Office were not reported separately to WIPO after 1987. Applications from the EPO were distributed according to the country of residence of the first-named inventor after 1987.

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| (2) COUNTRY | YEAR OF APPLICATION FILING | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Afghanistan | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Albania | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Algeria | 2 | 1 | | | 3 | 3 | 2 | | | | | |
| Andorra | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 5 | | | | | |
| Anguilla | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Antigua and Barbuda | | | | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | |
| Argentina | 137 | 95 | 125 | 103 | 94 | 117 | 150 | | | | | |
| Armenia | 2 | 1 | | | 3 | 8 | 5 | | | | | |
| Aruba | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Australia | 1,995 | 2,160 | 2,310 | 3,000 | 2,919 | 2,928 | 3,412 | | | | | |
| Austria | 961 | 1,115 | 933 | 1,022 | 1,044 | 1,214 | 1,438 | | | | | |
| Azerbaijan | 2 | | | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | | | | | |
| Bahamas | 16 | 20 | 23 | 21 | 15 | 13 | 9 | | | | | |
| Bahrain | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Bangladesh | | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | |
| Barbados | 4 | 2 | | 10 | 6 | 3 | 1 | | | | | |
| Belarus | 10 | 5 | 8 | 11 | 4 | 15 | 14 | | | | | |
| Belgium | 1,286 | 1,293 | 1,395 | 1,309 | 1,460 | 1,546 | 1,766 | | | | | |
| Belize | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| Benin | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Bermuda | 9 | 8 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 4 | | | | | |
| Bolivia | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | | | |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | | | | 2 | 1 | | 3 | | | | | |
| Brazil | 219 | 243 | 259 | 287 | 295 | 341 | 375 | | | | | |
| British West Indies | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| British Virgin Islands | 8 | 6 | 11 | 12 | 6 | 7 | 10 | | | | | |
| Brunei | 1 | 2 | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| Bulgaria | 13 | 8 | 10 | 105 | 58 | 47 | 55 | | | | | |
| Burkina Faso | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| Burma | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cameroon | | | | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | | | | | |
| Canada | 7,221 | 7,375 | 7,750 | 8,202 | 8,638 | 9,652 | 10,421 | | | | | |
| Cayman Islands | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | | | | | |
| Ceylon | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Central America | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chad | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Chile | 23 | 38 | 33 | 51 | 55 | 76 | 68 | | | | | |
| China, Hong Kong SAR | 626 | 681 | 729 | 815 | 816 | 889 | 1,053 | | | | | |
| China, Macau SAR | 4 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | | | | | |
| China, People's Republic of | 626 | 888 | 1,034 | 1,655 | 2,127 | 3,768 | 3,903 | | | | | |
| China, Republic of | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cocos Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Colombia | 29 | 16 | 20 | 20 | 11 | 21 | 23 | | | | | |
| Comoros | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Congo | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Congo (Brazzaville) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cook Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Costa Rica | 3 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 32 | 17 | 20 | | | | | |
| Croatia | 21 | 16 | 24 | 38 | 32 | 34 | 40 | | | | | |
| Cuba | 13 | 7 | 6 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 4 | 3 | 10 | 9 | 11 | 13 | 6 | | | | | |
| Czech Republic | 77 | 58 | 61 | 69 | 81 | 115 | 133 | | | | | |
| Czechoslovakia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Denmark | 1,113 | 1,065 | 1,002 | 923 | 997 | 1,165 | 1,284 | | | | | |
| Dominica | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dominican Republic | 1 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 9 | | | | | |
| Ecuador | 5 | 8 | 11 | 5 | 6 | 10 | 6 | | | | | |
| Egypt | 16 | 11 | 12 | 19 | 19 | 20 | 30 | | | | | |
| El Salvador (4) | 3 | 1 | | 1 | | | 2 | | | | | |
| Estonia | 10 | 6 | 7 | 9 | 17 | 13 | 26 | | | | | |
| Ethiopia | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| European Patent Office (5) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Falkland Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fiji | 3 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Finland | 1,840 | 1,811 | 1,935 | 2,096 | 2,032 | 2,383 | 2,444 | | | | | |
| France | 6,852 | 6,825 | 6,603 | 6,813 | 6,972 | 7,176 | 8,046 | | | | | |
| French Guiana | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| French Polynesia | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Gabon | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Georgia | 6 | 3 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 12 | 12 | | | | | |
| Germany, East | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Germany, West | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Germany | 19,900 | 20,418 | 18,890 | 19,824 | 20,664 | 22,369 | 23,608 | | | | | |
| Ghana | 1 | | | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | | | | | |
| Gibraltar | | 1 | | 6 | 9 | 6 | 3 | | | | | |
| Greece | 49 | 58 | 50 | 62 | 68 | 75 | 104 | | | | | |
| Greenland | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Grenada | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Guatemala | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | | | |

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| (2) COUNTRY | YEAR OF APPLICATION FILING | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Guinea | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Guyana | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Haiti | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| Honduras | | | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Hungary | 103 | 128 | 118 | 144 | 131 | 143 | 193 | | | | | |
| Iceland | 51 | 41 | 56 | 51 | 53 | 48 | 46 | | | | | |
| India | 643 | 919 | 1,164 | 1,303 | 1,463 | 1,923 | 2,387 | | | | | |
| Indonesia | 5 | 27 | 8 | 16 | 11 | 16 | 19 | | | | | |
| Iran | 4 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 25 | | | | | |
| Iraq | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Ireland | 366 | 440 | 368 | 403 | 516 | 483 | 648 | | | | | |
| Israel | 2,710 | 2,645 | 2,539 | 2,693 | 3,157 | 3,657 | 4,410 | | | | | |
| Italy | 2,967 | 2,980 | 3,011 | 2,997 | 2,993 | 3,274 | 3,376 | | | | | |
| Ivory Coast (Cote d'Ivoire) | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jamaica | 1 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 5 | | | | | |
| Japan | 61,238 | 58,739 | 60,350 | 64,812 | 71,994 | 76,839 | 78,794 | | | | | |
| Jordan | 5 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 11 | 15 | | | | | |
| Kazakhstan | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | | | | | |
| Kenya | 10 | 10 | 15 | 8 | 5 | 10 | 8 | | | | | |
| Korea | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Korea, North | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | |
| Korea, South | 6,719 | 7,937 | 10,411 | 13,646 | 17,217 | 21,685 | 22,976 | | | | | |
| Kuwait | 9 | 9 | 5 | 19 | 19 | 34 | 25 | | | | | |
| Kyrgyzstan | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Latvia | 4 | 3 | 3 | 10 | | 6 | 8 | | | | | |
| Lebanon | 7 | 9 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 13 | 8 | | | | | |
| Lesotho | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Libya | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Liberia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Liechtenstein | 29 | 34 | 32 | 21 | 23 | 24 | 31 | | | | | |
| Lithuania | 5 | 1 | 10 | 17 | 6 | 7 | 11 | | | | | |
| Luxembourg | 61 | 69 | 60 | 72 | 51 | 70 | 104 | | | | | |
| Macedonia | 2 | | | 3 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| Madagascar | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| Malagasy | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Malawi | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Malaysia | 116 | 142 | 237 | 326 | 323 | 379 | 337 | | | | | |
| Mali | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Malta | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 8 | | | | | |
| Marshall Islands | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Martinique | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mauritania | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mauritius | 1 | | 2 | | | | 2 | | | | | |
| Mexico | 196 | 157 | 185 | 179 | 180 | 213 | 212 | | | | | |
| Moldova | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 2 | | | | | |
| Monaco | 20 | 26 | 23 | 20 | 12 | 14 | 11 | | | | | |
| Mongolia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Montserrat | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Morocco | | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 6 | | | | | |
| Mozambique | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Myanmar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Namibia | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Nauru | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nepal | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Netherlands | 2,712 | 2,602 | 2,257 | 3,052 | 3,188 | 3,823 | 3,946 | | | | | |
| Netherlands Antilles | | | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | | | |
| New Caledonia | | 3 | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Papua) New Guinea | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| New Hebrides | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| New Zealand | 318 | 375 | 387 | 346 | 352 | 415 | 455 | | | | | |
| Nicaragua | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Niger | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nigeria | 6 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | |
| Niue | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Norfolk Island | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Norway | 475 | 531 | 449 | 525 | 541 | 562 | 693 | | | | | |
| Oman | | 3 | 2 | | 5 | 3 | | | | | | |
| Pakistan | 6 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 13 | 15 | | | | | |
| Palau | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Panama | 6 | 2 | 14 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 9 | | | | | |
| Paraguay | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Peru | 8 | 8 | 8 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 3 | | | | | |
| Philippines | 51 | 58 | 42 | 82 | 65 | 69 | 81 | | | | | |
| Poland | 39 | 46 | 59 | 101 | 102 | 98 | 74 | | | | | |
| Portugal | 28 | 27 | 20 | 30 | 33 | 42 | 57 | | | | | |
| Qatar | | 1 | 2 | 3 | | 1 | 3 | | | | | |
| Reunion | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhodesia, South | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhodesia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Romania | 14 | 8 | 11 | 16 | 18 | 29 | 48 | | | | | |

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| (2) COUNTRY | YEAR OF APPLICATION FILING | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Russian Federation | 433 | 377 | 341 | 334 | 366 | 412 | 444 | | | | | |
| Samoa | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| San Marino | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Saudi Arabia | 26 | 37 | 32 | 37 | 38 | 62 | 64 | | | | | |
| Senegal | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Serbia | | | | | | 10 | 13 | | | | | |
| Serbia & Montenegro | | | | 7 | 4 | | | | | | | |
| Seychelles | 1 | | 3 | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | |
| Sierra Leone | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Singapore | 786 | 807 | 771 | 879 | 919 | 1,143 | 1,188 | | | | | |
| Slovakia | 6 | 8 | 5 | 12 | 16 | 20 | 27 | | | | | |
| Slovenia | 20 | 36 | 38 | 50 | 43 | 50 | 63 | | | | | |
| Solomon Islands | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| South Africa | 231 | 241 | 224 | 246 | 197 | 231 | 252 | | | | | |
| South Georgia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| South-West Africa | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Spain | 601 | 564 | 606 | 696 | 701 | 844 | 966 | | | | | |
| Sri Lanka | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 11 | | | | | |
| St. Kitts/Nevis | 2 | 2 | 7 | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| St. Lucia | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| St. Vincent/Grenadines | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sudan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Suriname | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Swaziland | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sweden | 2,827 | 2,410 | 2,314 | 2,270 | 2,243 | 2,680 | 3,164 | | | | | |
| Switzerland | 2,337 | 2,338 | 2,275 | 2,316 | 2,447 | 2,773 | 3,079 | | | | | |
| Syria | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| Taiwan | 11,086 | 12,488 | 13,786 | 15,057 | 16,617 | 19,301 | 18,486 | | | | | |
| Tanzania | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Thailand | 70 | 61 | 60 | 69 | 68 | 71 | 99 | | | | | |
| Trinidad & Tobago | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 10 | | | | | |
| Tunisia | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 5 | | | | | |
| Turkey | 28 | 36 | 28 | 48 | 46 | 71 | 66 | | | | | |
| Turks and Caicos Islands | 6 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 5 | | | | | |
| Uganda | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ukraine | 32 | 43 | 45 | 38 | 37 | 41 | 40 | | | | | |
| United Arab Emirates | 2 | 6 | 12 | 17 | 16 | 24 | 25 | | | | | |
| United Arab Rep. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 8,362 | 8,391 | 7,700 | 7,792 | 7,962 | 8,342 | 9,164 | | | | | |
| Upper Volta | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| USSR | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uruguay | 7 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 16 | 11 | 9 | | | | | |
| Uzbekistan | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Vatican City | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Venezuela | 53 | 36 | 29 | 18 | 34 | 22 | 32 | | | | | |
| Viet Nam | 1 | | 2 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 6 | | | | | |
| Viet Nam, South | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| West Africa | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| West Bank / Gaza | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Yemen | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yugoslavia | 2 | 7 | 11 | | | | | | | | | |
| Zaire | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zambia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zimbabwe | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Other Foreign | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Foreign | 148,997 | 150,200 | 153,500 | 167,407 | 182,866 | 204,183 | 214,807 | | | | | |
| U.S. | 177,511 | 184,245 | 188,941 | 189,536 | 207,867 | 221,784 | 241,347 | | | | | |
| TOTAL | 326,508 | 334,445 | 342,441 | 356,943 | 390,733 | 425,967 | 456,154 | | | | | |

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(2) Country names that appear in this table do not imply any expression of opinion by USPTO about the preferred name or the legal status of any country or territory, or of its authorities.

(3) Data for 1965 through 1974 also include reissue applications.

(4) The USPTO submission to WIPO in 1975 reported two additional applications from "San Salvador" that are not included in this table. However, the total number of applications shown in this table for 1975 is consistent with the figure reported to WIPO.

(5) Applications from the European Patent Office were not reported separately to WIPO after 1987. Applications from the EPO were distributed according to the country of residence of the first-named inventor after 1987.

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